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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 15, 2002 OFFICE  
ACTION AND PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is submitted in response to a February 15, 2002 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the February 15, 2002 Office Action was originally due May 15, 2002. Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time. Applicant has previously established small entity status. The required fee for a three-month extension of time for a small entity is \$460.00 and a check for this amount is enclosed. Therefore, a response to the February 15, 2002 Office Action is now due August 15, 2002. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 2, 6, 7 and 11 without prejudice to applicant's right to pursue the subject matter of these claims in a future continuation or divisional application.

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